

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58140

Mamoru HORIKOSHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/508,418

Group Art Unit: 1652

Confirmation No.: 1158

Examiner: David Steadman

Filed: June 08, 2000

For: Herbicide-Resistant Protoporphyrinogen Oxidase Isolated From *Nicotiana tabacum* (as amended)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of August 12, 2004 to December 13, 2004, since December 12, fell on a Sunday.

A check for the statutory fee of \$110.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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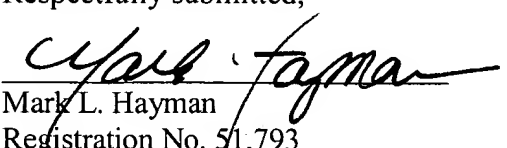
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